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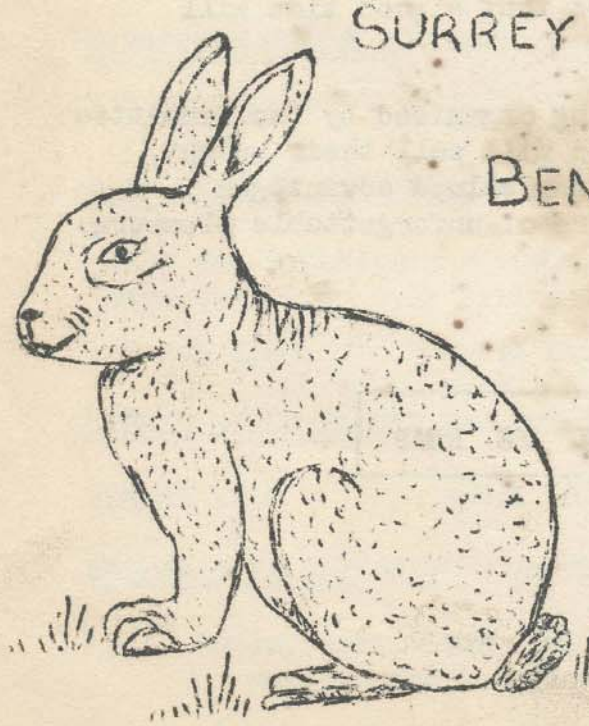


EDITORIAL

This quarter is going to be one of the busiest our Society will have experienced for many years.

The Chamber of Manufacturers Adelaide Exhibition which opens on March the 28th is going to involve us in constant displays, for which we are committed, and as you all know we will be gaining many valuable assets and an appreciable sum of money. Besides the usual £150 donation from the Chamber, we will also gain from a charge for train rides which could be quite substantial if we get full support of all locomotive owners and runners. The boat boys will be kept very busy and will have to keep something on the water most of the time to keep the public interested.

Into this period we have the Annual Model Engineer gathering which is to be held this Easter at S.A.S.M.E.E. and arrangements are in hand to ensure that a good time will be had by all.

These two major functions are being organised by the Committee who are confident that all members will pull their weight, thus providing our Society with many valued advantages from which we all derive many hours of unforgettable pleasure.

AS YE SOW - SO SHALL YE REAP

AGENDA

GENERAL MEETINGS - 2nd Tuesday each month at 8 p.m.

March 12th - 8 m.m. Movie and 35 m.m. slide night. It is also hoped to have some of the public who have attended our field days and have offered to show their films.

April 9th - No Meeting at Club owing to Exhibition General gathering at our Display Centre.

May 14th - Annual Meeting Election of Officers.

INTERMEDIATE MEETING - 4th Tuesday each month at 8 p.m.

Informal Meeting open to discussion on problems, or any show of work which you wish to take along.

Feb. 26th March 26th April 23rd May 28th

COMMITTEE MEETINGS - 1st Tuesday each month 7.30 p.m.

March 5th April 2nd May 7th

BOAT REGATTA SATURDAYS - 1st Saturday each month at 2.00 p.m.

With the Exhibition so near this should be used to make sure that your Boat will work efficiently.

March 2nd April 6th May 4th

PUBLIC FIELD DAYS - 3rd Saturday each month at 2.00 p.m.

March 16th April 20th May 18th

EASTER M.E. GATHERING - At S.A.S.M.E.E.

Good Friday April 12th Easter Saturday April 13th
Easter Monday April 15th.

NEWS FROM OTHER CLUBS

SURREY HILLS LIVE STEAM LOCO SOCIETY VIC.

Stan Milligan reports that there will be some of their members coming over for our Easter Gathering although he has not finalized arrangements yet. He is sorry that he cannot attend at Easter, but, will be on holidays a week or two before and may be in Adelaide and will look us up.

WEST RYDE STEAM LOCOMOTIVE SOCIETY SYDNEY N.S.W.

A letter from Mr. Mackellar gives us news of those intending to visit Adelaide for Easter. There is a definite 7 members 4 of whom are being accompanied by their wives and another 2 hope to be down depending on the health of their wives. Most will be staying for Easter only. But, Tom Simpson hopes to stay about a week. I am not sure but I think that Allen Mackellar will be down intending to stay with Ken Hall. Unfortunately their Ambassador and Foundation Member, Mr. Mackellar Sen., tells me he will not be able to make the trip. We are going to miss your cheery personality Mc but we will be thinking of you.

SYDNEY SOCIETY OF MODEL ENGINEERS LTD.

I have not had any bulletin or news from Mr. Harvey their Secretary and have written requesting any information for Easter. We hope that they will be represented.

W.A. SOCIETY MODEL ENGINEERS.

We are being visited by 3 members from the West and I believe one of them is bringing his Juliet Locomotive. This will be the first time that the W.A. Society has attended a Gathering, so we should have a full representation of all M.E. Societies.

THE LONE HANDS.

We are expecting Mr. & Mrs. Earn Clarke from Bendigo and Earn hopes to bring his 3½"G Vic R Class with him. Hope to see you amongst us Earn.

SPECIAL NEWS FOR LOCO ENTHUSIUSTS.

I have just received a copy letter sent on by Dr. Orr of Melbourne from the Secretary of -

ATLANTIC LIVE STEAMERS ASSOCIATION (CANADA).

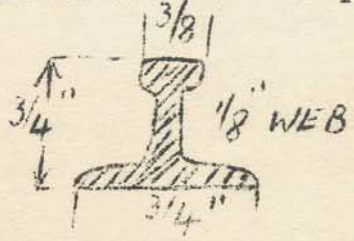
Giving details of a proposed design for rolling scale Steel Rails suitable for 5" or 7¼"G Loco's and requesting details of requirements. Minimum order will be 1,000 feet and price will be advised if sufficient orders are lodged to enable a mill which is interested in the project to tool up and produce.

Mr. Massey reports that after trying many sources through out the world he found that this product was not obtainable and therefore endeavoured to find a mill somewhere in this world of ours to do something about it. This was pretty tough but eventually he met with reasonable success providing quantity is worthwhile. Order to date total well over 40,000 feet and looks promising.

Whilst at present we have not many 5" Gauge Locos it should be our aim if possible to assist in this worthwhile venture. Order are required by 15th March.

The sketch below gives details of rail size. Supplies will not be forwarded until a price has been calculated and advised. If acceptable payment if to be made when placing orders.

Please advise Secretary.



It is with regret

that I report

the passing

of

MR. VIC. H. MESSER

on the morning of

6th MARCH 1963.

AMONGST OURSELVES.

We are sorry to have lost member Tom Armstrong who recently moved to Perth in retirement, but he says he will be working very hard building his own Railway Line and finishing his 3½"G Heilan Lassie. Tom will be missed amongst us for his cheery manner and helpful advice he passed to many of us at our Informal Meetings at which he was a regular attender. He also was designing and building a speed time recorder for use on the Pond. This is in the hands of John Moorfield and is awaiting the final plan from Tom.

If any member wishes to contact Tom he will be pleased to hear from "The Boys". His present address is C/- R.G. Wareing, 69 Princess Road, Doubleview, W.A.

I have received another letter from Ron Collins who wishes to be remembered to all, and hopes to be over here for Easter after all. He is lost on Saturdays he tells me as he has not as yet found anywhere suitable to "play Boats" and misses the chatting to the boys around the Pond.

It is very distressing to have to report that our Club House has again been broken into. This time we are not so fortunate in just a few bottles of drink being drunk, but have some vandalism.

Our flag has been ruined by being torn into shreds and two of our cupboard doors where smashed.

Brian Greenslade is our "Detective" spotting the wire on one of the windows being torn off and went straight to the Goodwood Police Station and reported it. As yet nothing has been finalized.

That good old chap who is always trying to help somebody has met with a slight mishap while assisting his fellow neighbour to lift a roll of linoleum. Bill Perin is his name and he has strained chest muscles. Hope you are soon recovered Bill?

Ken Hall has also been on the sick list and also his son Howard. We hope you two are soon in steam again.

I met Leath Mayfield the other day and he tells me he does not find much time for modelling at present. Having recently married and getting his home established. His new address is, 35 Astrid Avenue, Ballara Park, please alter your membership list accordingly.

I hear Fred Hercus is making an overseas trip shortly and will be away for part of the Exhibition. However, he has consented to leave his Locomotive in charge of Ralph Excell to help raise our income as mentioned in the Editorial. We hope you have a worthwhile and safe trip and look forward to your return.

AROUND OUR GROUNDS.

We have spent the last couple of Saturdays cleaning and straightening up ready for Easter. What a difference it makes to see the grass trimmed and some of the rubbish cleared and burnt. There is still a little trimming of the lawn to be done next Saturday.

We want about a dozen men present at the Wayville Show Grounds this Saturday to help spread the sand and lace and fill the canvas pond, starting time about 9.00 a.m., bring your lunch. If we get through early we can go back to the Club Grounds and finish some tidying up or help Morry Turner and Co. to get the Rail Track over the bridge.

Our rate of progress on our Grounds improvement plan has been rapid, as most who regularly go out there can see. It is evident that the fever has caught on and that a greater number of us look to the day when we will be opening our track.

I don't know just how planing is going with the Boat boys and their pond problems as I have not heard any discussions lately. Perhaps some of them may enlighten us as to progress.

Bob Jackson and Norm Kernick have been testing their Boats for the Exhibition and Norm tried his on a short line. The speed was spectacular on the smaller pond and gave us some idea of what to expect at the Exhibition.

The Steamhouse is becoming very popular with a wide range of stationary models always running.

THE ROYAL ADELAIDE EXHIBITION 1963

Please take note of the following times and dates

Opening date is March 28th - April 27th.
The opening will be at 7.00 p.m. on Thursday 28th with an official ceremony at 8.00 p.m.
The Exhibition will then be open daily except Sundays and Good Friday from 12.00 noon until 10.00 p.m.
Saturdays and Easter Monday from 10.00 a.m. - 10.00 p.m.

We as a Society are responsible to have all our models and equipment installed by Monday 25th March. This means that Saturday 23rd and if necessary Sunday 24th we will be working extremely hard getting all our exhibits ready. Your models are required in our Display on Saturday 23rd if you are unable to be ready by that date let the Secretary know so that arrangements can be made to receive your model after Sunday 24th.

We have been allocated a small car parking area and free passes will be issued to us shortly, these will be limited, and will have to be rostered. It has been suggested that where several members are going that they drive to the Club Grounds, lock their cars in and then go in one members car to the Exhibition. This would greatly assist the Club and members and lighten the worries of the Exhibition Authorities.

I suggest that this idea be adopted as I know it will be greatly appreciated by all Planing Committees concerned.

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